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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment

1. The reply filed on December 14, 2001 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): applicants failed to identify the claims readable on the elected species. It is noted that the Election/Restriction of paper no. 5 required Applicants to elect a single species of compound "subjected to a heating treatment" and a single species of substance having "an apoptosis-inducing ability" to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. However, in the response of paper no. 6, Applicants identified claims readable on each of the species separately, rather than identifying those claims that Applicants consider to be readable on both species and therefore readable on the invention elected for further prosecution. While it is noted that two claims (claims 14 and 15) were identified by applicants as reading on both of the elected species, it appears that other claims might also have been considered readable on the elected invention had applicants considered which claims read on the elected invention (i.e., claims readable on both elected species) rather than which claims read on each species separately. For example, it appears that claim 1 might encompass a method of making 4,5-dihydroxy-2-pentenal, although applicants did not include this claim among the claims readable on 4,5-dihydroxy-2-pentenal. Accordingly, in response to this communication, Applicants must identify those claims that Applicants consider to be readable on both the elected species ribose and the elected species 4,5-dihydroxy-2-pentenal (i.e., readable on the elected invention). See 37 CFR 1.111

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2. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Diana B. Johannsen whose telephone number is 703/305-0761. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 7:30 am-4:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, W. Gary Jones can be reached on 703/308-1152. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are 703/872-9306 for regular communications and 703/872-9307 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703/308-0196.

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